

## Message Text

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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OGEN  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. IN REFERENCE TO SCHEDULED ASAT TALKS IN HELSINKI DURING WEEK OF JUNE 12, POL-MIL OFFICER JACK SONTAG WILL BE IN HELSINKI WITH FAMILY AWAITING BIRTH OF CHILD. WE WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE SONTAG, WHO HAS A GOOD GRASP OF ARMS CONTROL MATTERS, AS A MEMBER OF THE DELEGATION IF THAT WILL BE POSSIBLE (WHILE IN INR SONTAG PARTICIPATED IN WORK ON AN ASAT PROJECT).

2. RE TRAINING (PARA 3, STATE 114350). THE PROPOSALS ARE FINE FROM THE PERSONNEL POINT OF VIEW. LETTER FOLLOWS ON THE LANGUAGE TRAINING ASPECTS.

3. ARGUMENTS IN STATE 119891 NOTWITHSTANDING, PER MESSAGE DID EFFECTIVELY KILL BILL BROWN'S R&R (FOR WHICH HE WAS TO LEAVE ON SATURDAY), SINCE CERTIFYING OFFICER CANNOT AUTHORIZE R&R UNLESS EMPLOYEE IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN AT POST AT LEAST TWO YEARS WITHOUT HOME LEAVE. EVEN THOUGH CABLE WAS NOT A FORMAL ASSIGNMENT, IT WAS SUFFICIENTLY CONCRETE TO MAKE CLEAR THAT THERE  
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IS NO REASONABLE PROSPECT OF TWO YEAR TOUR HERE. IF IT HAD COME NEXT MONDAY, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN OK, SINCE BILL WOULD ALREADY HAVE BEEN IN GREECE. TOO BAD TELEPHONE CALL WAS NOT USED. TOON  
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